

Bell companies operate an "essential facility", and should have to accommodate other ISP firms that wish to purchase access from them. This wholesale provisioning will stimulate competition and be of benefit to the consumers. To not do so would cripple the '96 Telecom Act. Chairman Powell: Please do not sell out to BIG BUSINESS, at the expense of competition and the small businesses of our country.

Competition is vital to progress and our economic stability. As information becomes more and more accessible and we become more accustomed to having it at our fingertips the information infrastructure must remain accessible and not be monopolized!